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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
CHIEF SECRETARIAT (ENVIRONMENT)

(G.O. Ms. No. 25/2014-Envt., dated 2nd December 2014)

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of rule 12 of the Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001 notified by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) and the same has been published in Part-I of the Extraordinary Official Gazette of Puducherry, dated 4th April 2002, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is pleased to issue an order for management and handling of batteries in the Union territory of Puducherry, which is as follows :

(i) *Responsibilities of dealer.*— It shall be the responsibility of dealers,

(a) to collect back the used batteries as per the schedule as prescribed under the said rules against new batteries sold;

(b) to give appropriate discount for every used battery returned by the consumer and the used batteries collected back shall be of similar type and specifications as that of the new batteries sold;

(c) to file half-yearly returns of the sale of new batteries and buy-back of old batteries to the manufacturer in Form-V as prescribed under the said rules by 31st May and 30th November of every year; and

(d) to make safe transportation of collected batteries to the designated collection centres or to the registered recyclers; so that no damage is caused to the environment during storage and transportation of used batteries.

(ii) *Responsibilities of consumer or bulk consumer.*— It shall be the responsibility of consumers and bulk consumers,

(a) to ensure that used batteries are not disposed of in any manner other than depositing with the dealer, manufacturer, importer, assembler, registered recycler, re-conditioner or at the designated collection centres;

(b) to file half-yearly return in Form - VIII as prescribed under the said rules to the State Board; and

(c) bulk consumers or their user units may auction used batteries to registered recyclers only.

(iii) *Responsibilities of auctioneer.*— It shall be the responsibility of auctioneers,

(a) to ensure that used batteries are auctioned to the registered recyclers only;

(b) to file half-yearly returns of their auctions to the State Boards in Form-IX as prescribed under the said rules; and

(c) to maintain a record of such auctions and make these records available to the State Board for inspection.

(iv) *Responsibilities of manufacturer, importer, assembler and re-conditioner.*— It shall be the responsibility of a manufacturer, importer, assembler and re-conditioner,

(a) to collect back the used batteries as per the schedule as prescribed under the said rules against new batteries sold excluding those sold to original equipment manufacturer and bulk consumer(s);

(b) to ensure that used batteries collected back are of similar type and specifications as that of the new batteries sold;

(c) to file a half-yearly return of their sales and buy-back to the State Board in Form-1 as prescribed in the said rules latest by 30th June and 31st December of every year;

(d) to set up collection centres either individually or jointly at various places for collection of used batteries from consumers or dealers;

(e) to send the collected used batteries only to the registered recyclers;

(f) to make necessary arrangements with dealers for safe transportation from collection centres to the premises of registered recyclers; so that no damage to the environment occurs during transportation; and

(g) to create public awareness through advertisements, publications, posters or by other means with regard to the following:

(i) Hazards of lead;

(ii) Responsibility of consumers to return their used batteries only to the dealers or deliver at the designated collection centres; and

(iii) Addresses of dealers and designated collection centres.

(h) to use the international recycling sign on the batteries;

(i) to buy recycled lead only from the registered recyclers; and

(j) to bring to the notice of the State Board or the Ministry of Environment and Forests, any violation by the dealers.

(v) *Responsibilities of recycler.*— It shall be the responsibility of recyclers,

(a) to apply for registration to the Ministry of Environment and Forests or a agency designated by it by submitting the information in Form- VI as prescribed under the said rules;

(b) to ensure strict compliance of the terms and conditions of registration;

(c) to submit annual returns as per Form-VII as prescribed under the said rules to the State Board;

(d) to make available all records to the State Board for inspection;

(e) to mark 'Recycled' on lead recovered by reprocessing; and

(f) to create public awareness through advertisements, publications, posters or other means with regard to the following:

(i) Hazards of lead; and

(ii) Obligation of consumers to return used batteries only to the registered dealers or deliver at the designated collection centres.

Procedure for registration/renewal of registration of recyclers

Every recycler of used lead acid batteries shall make an application in Form-VI as prescribed under the said rules; alongwith the following documents to the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India or any Officer designated by the Ministry for grant of registration or renewal—

(a) A copy of the valid consents under Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, as amended and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, as amended; and

(b) A copy of the valid authorisation under Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989, as amended.

The whole rules as well as the forms may be seen through the website <http://dste.puducherry.gov.in/pdf>.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

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